My dear Sir Visvesvaraya, DOC-818 1-9-2

I am very sorry to hear that you are feeling the strain of office so severely as to necessitate your application for six months' leave. There is no doubt you require a rest after nine years of unremitting strenuous work and I shall have no objection to your taking leave for six months on the usual terms.

I appreciate deeply the offer which you make to return to duty temporarily during the period of your leave in the event of my needing your help in connection with the Cauvery Arbitration or the Food Supply question.

Your letter indicates that the state of your health and your own conscience may possibly prevent you returning to duty after leave. The question of your return depends on my pleasure. It is at least possible therefore that you may not return here, I should like to take this opportunity of making for the many eminent services which you have rendered to the State. I have also the satisfaction

may have been, I have always recognised your patriotism & devotion to the interests of the State & the great results which you have achieved as an administrator.

In order to mark my appreciation of your valuable services, I should like to give you an assurance now in the event of your retiring, I have decided to allot you a special pension of Rs 12 50 per mensem. I am reserving for consideration the question of any other privileges to be granted to you.

I am glad to be able to echo your kind wishes for your personal welfare & happiness & shall always feel pleased to hear of your future prosperity & happiness, wherever you may be.

Yours sincerely

V. Sivaraya K.C.I.S.